

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 remain pending. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants affirm election without traverse of claims 1-16 for consideration on the merits.

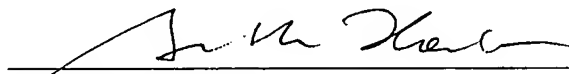
Claims 1-4, 7, 8, and 10-15 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-50 of U.S. Patent No. 6,371,935. Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection.

In light of the above amendments and remarks Applicants earnestly believe the application to now be in condition for allowance and respectfully request that it be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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